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**ABSTRACT:** 

A method is described, wherein multiple input signals are subjected to a combination process of adaptive beamforming and adaptive echo cancelling, and wherein for each of the input signals an individual processing history of adaptive echo cancelling data is kept and combined with current adaptive beamforming data. Accordingly an audio processing device is described which comprises at least one parallel acoustic paths for providing respective inputs signals, the acoustic paths are connected in series to beamformer paths, and the device comprises an adaptive beamformer and an adaptive echo canceller for performing adaptive beamforming and adaptive echo cancelling respectively, whereby the adaptive echo canceller is provided with storage means for storing in relation to every input signal, individual processing histories of adaptive echo cancelling data for combination with current adaptive beamforming data. Both beamformer and echo cancelling techniques can be combined such that a reduced number of calculations results.

Fig. 2